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electrode 22). A second transparent electrode 23 is formed on the second 2 transparent substrate opposing the first transparent electrode 22. Liquid crystals 24 are aligned to oppose each other by the slit patterns 21 between the first and second transparent electrodes 22 and 23. A black matrix (light-shielding layer) 25 is located below the first transparent electrode 22 at the center of the first substrate.

Please replace paragraph [0044] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0044] As shown in FIG. 5, the LCD device according to the second embodiment of the present invention includes first 1 and second 2 substrates opposing each other and a first transparent electrode 22 having slit patterns at a constant distance on the first substrate. A second transparent electrode 23 is formed on the second 2 substrate opposing the first transparent electrode 22. Liquid crystals 24 are aligned to oppose each other by the slit patterns 21 between the first and second transparent electrodes 22 and 23. A black matrix 25 is formed below the slit patterns 21.

Please replace paragraph [0047] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0047] As shown in Fig. 6, the LCD device according to the third embodiment of the present invention includes first 1 and second 2 substrates and a first transparent electrode 22 having slit patterns 21 at a constant distance on the first substrate. A second transparent electrode 23 is formed on the second substrate 2 opposing the first transparent electrode 22. Liquid crystals 24 are aligned to oppose each other by the slit patterns 21 between the first and second transparent